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PF Benefits of Beedi Workers
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a)the total number of Beedi workers getting benefits of Provident Fund Scheme in the country, State/UT-wise;
(b)the total number of cases of Provident Fund including those related to Beedi workers pending for settlement during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c)the action taken for speedy disposal of the pending claims along with the outcome thereof; and
(d)the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that all workers including Beedi workers in the country get the benefits of various schemes meant for their welfare?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): There are 10,790,76 Beedi Workers subscribing under Employees' Provident Fund Scheme, 1952 in the country as on June, 2016.

(b): The details of cases of Provident Fund including those related to Beedi workers settled and pending during each of the last three years and the current year State/UT-wise are enclosed at Annexure 'A'.

(c): For prompt disposal of all claims including the pending claims, the Employees' Provident Funds Scheme, 1952 has been modified vide GSR 525 (E) whereby the claim, complete in all respects submitted alongwith requisite documents shall be settled and benefit amount paid to the beneficiaries within 20 days from the date of its receipt by the Commissioner.
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(d): To ensure that all workers including beedi workers in the country get due benefits under Employees' Provident Funds & Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 and Schemes framed thereunder from time to time, inspections are done and reports uploaded on Shram Suvidha Portal and Central Analysis & Intelligence Unit Portal. Further, whenever any complaint regarding non-enrolment of an eligible worker is received, the matter is got investigated by the concerned field office of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation for legal action.

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